COMMANDER IN CHIEF UNITED STATES EUROPEAN COMMAND



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MEMORANDUM FOR USEUCOM COMPONENTS

SUBJECT: USCINCEUR Policy Letter Number 98-04 (Dependent Education)

- The education of our children is one of our highest priorities. I would like to reiterate
 several points from my previous policy letter on Community-School Partnership. Proactive
 command involvement and support are essential to a successful partnership between our
 schools and the military community. In particular, we must stimulate communication among
 DoDDS-Europe, military commands and local communities with the following objectives:
- a. Productive parent-school interaction is the backbone of the school-home-command partnership. We must have full leadership involvement at every level to encourage and facilitate productive communication with the community.
- b. Commanders must personally promote and participate in school/community forums, making full use of existing councils, and should encourage each parent to participate in their children's education. Parent-teacher conferences are too important to miss.
- All members and teachers need to be aware of complaint resolution channels and use them effectively.
- Your personal involvement will ensure our leaders stay engaged with our educational communities, and will send a clear message to our members that we will leave no stone unturned in our pursuit of a superior education for our children.
- EUCOM will coordinate these efforts at the theater level to assist you in these efforts. By
 working closely with DoDDS-Europe, we can respond effectively to community concerns and
 make steady progress towards achieving our common strategic goals. Request your support
 for the above objectives.

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